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Margaret Jane Allred Teague & her son Nolan Teague
Margaret is daughter of Rev. Wm. Brantley Allred



Reddick Allred Family, June 1913 Rear: Sam, Druzilla Love, Vern Allred, Reddick Allred, Ervin, Ethel Allred, Middle: Sam-Della Hunter, Ben-Clara Johnson, P.M.-Lucinda Peterson, Dave-Evida Madsen, Front: Tressa Allred, Bertella Allred, Viella Allred

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Gary D. Allred

June is about here again and with our upcoming reunion for 1994, I want to encourage everyone to attend. Every year we meet more of the family that we haven't known before and from the letters we have received this year we hope to have a great time together as we meet our new members. We hope that our reunion this year will be even better than the others. Our reunion preparations and planning are already under way.

We are planning to have genealogy items available such as back issues of the AFN, research reports and something to remember the reunion such as an Allred button with the crest, a shirt or cap etc. Look for more about the reunion as you read this copy of the newsletter.

One of the primary programs during the reunion is to have our annual business meeting. We will discuss our research program and future plans, financial status, and have nominations to the Board of Directors.

As you know, the Allred Family Organization, Inc. is not a one-man operation, but is controlled by the Board of Directors and they give direction to the Executive Committee. During our business meeting, we will open the program to the family for nominations to the Board of Directors so we can have representation of each branch of the family. If you, or your branch of the family, would like to be represented on the Board of Directors, this is your opportunity to nominate a member of your family. We want everyone to be a part of the family organization and have input to the programs. If you, or your family branch, want more activity in a specific area or to participate in any of the programs we have under way, this is the time to elect a family representative to the Board.

One of the requirements of being a member of the board is that you be able to attend the meetings in Salt Lake City held quarterly or as needed.

At our board meeting in April, LouAnn Blakely was elected to fill the vacancy on the Executive Committee, left by Earlene A. Smart, as Vice President over genealogy. We are all looking forward to working closely with LouAnn and to benefit from her experience and expertise. LouAnn is a professional genealogy researcher and we welcome her talent as we all welcome her to the Executive Committee.

We will miss the close association we have had with Earlene for the past four years and hope that she will still offer her help in the future as we value her vast knowledge of the family and her ability to sort things out and put the names in their proper place.

For all of our members of the family organization that live too distant to attend the meetings, we still want you to participate by giving the Board of Directors input through the mail. We feel that it is important that everyone have input to the AFO. In this way we will become closer together as a family.

Make your plans now and come to the Spring City Reunion in June of 1994.

ISAAC H. ALLRED

from: Miracle of The Desert
by Thomas H. Williams
Submitted by Athlene Allred

Isaac H. Allred, son of Paulinus Harvey Allred and Melissa Allred, was born Nov 22, 1850, at Cottonwood, Salt Lake County, Utah.

He married Ursula Mulliner, Jun 4, 1871, at Lehi, Ut. She was the daughter of Samuel Mulliner and Mary Richardson. She was born Nov 26, 1854, at Salt Lake City.

Their children were:

Paulinus Harvey born Jan 17, 1874, married Salmoe M. Kunz Aug 23, 1905.

Joseph S. born Jun 1, 1878, married Mary J. Dayley Feb 26, 1906.

Mary U. born Feb 12, 1880, married Ed Parsons Jun 10, 1904.

Sterling H. born Oct 3, 1882, died Dec 29, 1911.

Lillian A. born Oct 1, 1885, married Robert Stone Jan 28, 1904.

Fannie O. born Oct 6, 1888, married Herbert Adams Jan 9, 1912.

Iona Rose born Mar 7, 1891, married Robert Manning Jul 24, 1907.

Isaac Allred came to Thomas about 1897 and settled on the banks of the slough just east of the Thomas beet dump. He was the first Secretary of the Riverside Thomas Cemetery in 1897. He was put in as the first Ward Clerk of the Thomas Ward Nov 30, 1902 and served for five years.

He liked to fish and hunt, and did considerable of it. He also did some prospecting and trapping. He explored the Craters of the Moon quite extensively on foot and on horseback. He had the gift of healing as can be testified to by many of the early settlers of this community. He was clever at telling stories and giving readings. Just a few days before he died he gave a humorous reading, "A Summer's Day in Winter" at a party.

He died at the home of his daughter Mrs. Ed Parsons, Mar 23, 1923 and was buried in the Riverside Thomas cemetery he helped to create and became the first secretary.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Cousin Pat,

I found the picture of the grandchildren of Ephriam Allred very interesting (AFN #18). I must offer a correction, however. Three are grandchildren of John L.: being my brother Luran L., my sister Zola Elvira, and my brother John Eldred. This photo was taken by my Aunt Lillian Allred (Hansen), a school teacher and photographer. This would have been at Ferron, Ut and about 1910. Zola, at 89, and John Eldred, 87 still survive. Are there any others still living?

Dear Cousin Glenden,

I know that all the children of Ephriam L. Allred are gone because my father, Clement (twin) was the last surviving child, and he died in 1978. Maybe someone else can answer for the other grandchildren. Pat

NOTES AND QUERIES

JAMES ALLRED

My 4th great grandfather, James Allred married a gal named Elizabeth Warren. This is the same James Allred that founded Spring City. I have done extensive research on this line. I am interested in corresponding with anyone who is working on this line. Please contact Craig Roberts, 520 W. 200 S., Price, Ut. 84501-2945, phone (801) 637-4831

Dear Cousin Craig,

Since there are now many hundreds of James, posterity you shouldn't have any trouble finding someone to write to you. In fact Linda Steel is writing a book about James. Please refer to her article in this edition.

WILLIAM BRANTLEY ALLRED

of Pickins Co. GA
submitted by Betty J. Loper

My Great grandfather. Reverend William Brantley Allred was born Feb 13, 1838, in Hall Co. Ga. He was the first child of Miranda and Lila (Free) Allred. He is a descendant of the Revolution War soldier, Elias Allred (born about 1758 in NC).

The 1850, Hall Co. Ga. census shows twelve year old William Brantley living with his parents, brother and five sisters. Next door to them was the Elias Earl Allred family. Elias Earl Allred's mother, Margaret Allred (born ca 1790), lived in his household.

William Brantley next appeared in the 1860 Cherokee Co. Ga. census. He was newly wed to his first wife, Martha Mills. They, and the John Calvin Allred family (his brother), were living next door to their cousin, Elizabeth Allred Nickolson, wife of John Nickolson. William Brantley and John Calvin may have been employed by, or share-cropped for John Nickolson.

He and Martha had their first daughter, Caroline Elizabeth, in 1861 and a second daughter, Margaret Jane, in 1862. The third daughter, Mary D., was not born until 1867. The absence of children between 1862 and 1867 was obviously due to the Civil War. According to his Civil War pension application, he enlisted in Company D, 43rd Georgia Regiment, March 10, 1862. He was appointed 2nd Corporal, Mar 1862, and 4th Corporal, Nov 1863. He was discharged at Augusta, Ga. in May of 1865.

In 1870, William Brantley, Martha and family moved to Pickins Co. His little half brother, Elias Simon, was living with the family and assisting on the farm. That year, Martha was expecting their fourth child. She suffered difficulties throughout the pregnancy. Because of her ill health, she requested to move her family from where they lived in Banks Co., back to where she felt more comfortable in Jasper. Unfortunately, Martha died from complications of childbirth. The newborn, Hiram, also did not survive.

William Brantley soon married his second wife, Cansadah Padgett, the daughter of Rev Isaac Padgett. Cansadah bore him six children: Palestine, William Isaac, Adora, Adina, Martha Victoria and John Calvin.

In 1883, he served as County Treasurer of Pickins Co. During the 1880's he was ordained to the Baptist Ministry. Signing to authorize his ordainment, were Rev. Elias W. Allred and Rev. William Cagle. During his ministry, he served at these Baptist Churches: Salem, Pleasant Union, Refuge, Bethany, Burnt Mountain and Philadelphia.

In 1865, he first applied for a Confederate Veteran's pension. On his application he stated that due to his rheumatism, he was no longer able to do his farm and factory work. His doctor signed an affidavit stating that he suffered from rheumatism and severe gastritis.

The 1900, Pickins Co. census shown William Brantley, his half brother, Elias Simon, and their father, Miranda, all living close together. Near-by was their cousin, Rev. Elias W. Allred. By 1910 he was living near his son, William Isaac Allred. The Isaac Allred family attended to, and nursed him through his last illnesses. He died Nov 3, 1922, at Jasper, Ga.

He was buried at Refuge Cemetery near his second wife and two of his daughters. Some of his grandchildren still live in North Georgia. I owe a great deal of thanks to Nora Hollingshead of Kennesaw, and Jewel Allred Moore of Marietta, for their gracious help in putting this information together.

Information sources: 1840 and 1850 Hall Co., Ga census, 1860 Cherokee Co., Ga. census, 1870, 1880, 1900, 1910 Pickins Co., Ga. census, History of Pickins County by Luke E. Tate, Baptist Ordainment document, Georgia Civil War Roster, Nora Hollingshead, Jewel Allred Moore, and Gene E. Teague.

Sorry folks, that this issue of the AFN is so plain
..There was just no room for clip art this time!

WHERE AND HOW DO I START

Justin L. "Jack" Fuell

I suppose you're ready to start this quest for family that we discussed last month. You have your log at hand, have written a stack of letters large enough to stagger the mail man and have, luckily, received many responses from your family.

Let's begin at the beginning and resolve to do this right. Your Aunt Izzie sent the names of your father's family; Uncle Luiji did the same for your mothers group; your brothers and sisters sent the details of their families and you are anxious to get things reduced to print.

Now, wouldn't it be a terrible blow, after searching for half a year, to find and log all your data and then be unable to tell from your notes whether Aunt Zee was born in May or March; January or June? Learn to record everything in BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS, using standard three letter abbreviations for months.

Beginning with your family, set up a file, which I'm sure you already have, in which you place copies of all birth, death, marriage, and such other certificates as you have received over the years from the state, your church and schools. It is a good idea to make copies of these precious documents and keep the originals in a safe place, but of course you already knew that.

As an extension of your letter writing project, go back to the family and ask them for copies of their certificates. This is an important part of Family History research: It teaches you to document everything that goes into your files. This will keep you out of trouble in the years to come. In your log, remember the log?, in the log you record who you wrote and what data they provided. If they did not provide certificates, did they tell you that they had those certificates on hand? Log that! Someday you may have to prove the things you have placed in your Family History files.

There will be records that your family cannot/will not provide and these can be obtained from the state in which the event occurred. Birth and death certificates are available by writing the appropriate agency and asking for them. These may cost from \$10. to \$25. each.

Most states kept Vital Records by 1900. Vital records were often kept in the County Courthouse before that time.

Your certificates are valuable because they are proof of the event they certify and usually identify the parents, place of birth or death, and other information. We soon discover that birth records are a better source than death records. This is because of the mental state of the person providing the data at the time the record was made.

You can buy an excellent book on Vital Records information from the Supt. of Documents, U.S. Govt. Printing Office, Wash., D.C. 20402. Ask for: Where to Write for Vital Records: Births, Deaths, Marriages, and Divorces. U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, Publication #(PHS) 87-1142.

Your collection of family has grown by leaps and bounds, and it is now necessary to organize it into a useable system. There are many good books, and systems available and also there are these little silicon valley monsters such as I use. After a few days on the keyboard, a week or two of feeling that "My computer hates me!", you can begin to get all those data stuffed into your computer so that it can be made available to you with a few deft key-strokes. That is indeed the proof of the pudding.

In this session we have been dealing with the "here and now" end of Family History, with names of family members who are living or recently departed.

The quest changes a wee bit when we leave the "here and now" and venture into the recent past, the more distant past, and then ancient history. Each area of research is equally fascinating, but each has its own rules and demands. As we leave this period in time our knowledge of history becomes more and more important. You'll be fascinated with the things you discover in the history books.

More later.

A NEW COMPUTER

Four and a half years ago when I was asked to do the newsletter I started with fear and trembling and an old World War II portable typewriter. After awhile I bought a used electric typewriter at a thrift store for \$5 and it was like driving a car instead of a bicycle. In 1990 my sister, Barbara Aylesworth and my brother Don Allred got together and gave me an IBM 80-88 computer (which I am using at this moment) and I felt like I was flying. This has been the most wonderful thing that could ever happen but both my brother and sister assured me that someday I would outgrow it and want something faster and more powerful. I have loved my old 80-88 and named it Jack Benny because every time I have to wait for it to delete or print it says "I'm thinking, I'm thinking!"

Last week the board of directors of the Allred Family Organization voted a new computer for the editor of the AFN! Hey, that's me and the excitement is so intense that I'm not sure I can wait until tomorrow when Bob Olson is bringing it over and setting it up. Maybe now I will even know how to punctuate because it has a gammer check.

Well, Jack Benny is going to retire (downstairs) and as long as I am the editor of the AFN I will get to use our new computer. I would like to thank Don, Barbara and the board of directors for their support.



UNIDENTIFIED PHOTO Can You Help?
W. N. B. Shepherd, Art Gallery, Paris, Idaho

EARLENE SMART & DAWNELL GRIFFIN

The family organization would like to express our deep gratitude for the countless hours that have been spent by Earlene and Dawnell in the research they have been and are doing on the Allred family. When the material was gathered together and shown at our quarterly board meeting this month the amount of papers simply boggle the mind. They filled an entire table and we can't begin to imagine all the hard work and dedication that has gone on through their labors. We want the family to know how much we owe to Dawnell and Earlene and how grateful we are that they are our Allred cousins. There needs to be a better word invented than a simple Thank You!

A Friendly Response to the AFN Articles "Allred Fears & Phobias."

Submitted by Grover C. Allred

I have read with a great deal of enjoyment and amusement the articles by Justin Fuell titled "Allred Fears & Phobias" AFN #15, #17, and #18. I have been acquainted with most of these pieces of folklore since childhood. You can rest assured they were not peculiar to the Allreds. Most of my childhood friends and many adults in northeastern Texas where I grew up suspected that many such things might be true. The stories that I heard were endless. And many of us children argued endlessly about the possibilities or probabilities of the truth of such beliefs.

The Velvet Ant (*Dasymutilla occidentalis*), the so-called Cow Killer, was common in my part of the country. We paid it a great deal of respect. We all believed its sting would be sure death. Later I learned that it was the wingless female of a species of wasp, whatever comfort that may be. We did not associate it specifically with killing cows. We thought that it could kill just about anything, including people.

Stories of Hoop Snakes, Blue Racers, and Coachwhips ran rampant through my childhood. Some of the older adults told quite remarkable stories without a smile about these kinds of snakes. I have collected many such stories in the process of folklore research.

I remember vividly the story of a Hoop Snake told to me about fifty-five years ago by a then old man who remembered the story from his own youth. According to him a big Hoop Snake came rolling past an open-air church service one summer on a Sunday morning, and the men jumped on their horses and chased it down the road. When the snake realized that it was going to get caught, it whipped its sharp spiked tail into a small tree before the men killed it. The tree's leaves wilted by sundown. This story was told as true.

My mother, Lee Isom Allred, was terrified of snakes of any kind. She was especially afraid of Blue Racers (*Coluber constrictor*) and Coachwhips (*Masticophis flagellum*). She just knew for certain that Blue Racers would chase a person, but she also believed that they would stop when the person stopped. The snake would just lie there and raise its head and sort of gaze. It was sort of nerve racking, so it was almost better just to keep running, rather than be ogled by a snake. The Coachwhip was a much more serious problem. My mother believed that this kind of snake would not only chase people, but could catch them, wrap itself around a leg and whip the limb with its tail which carries a scale design that reminds one of a braided whip. Neither of these snakes is poisonous, but their quick, nervous movements and rapid mobility seem to have caught the imagination of many people in a time when people had to generate their own excitement.

There are other snake superstitions that I remember from northeastern Texas. Many people believed that badly injured snakes did not die until sundown. Another widely accepted notion was that the milk snake (*Lampropeltis doliata*) would often suck the milk from cows in the pasture. This was perhaps one way to help explain the unexpected low production for an otherwise productive cow. Considering the fact that no species of snake in North America has sucking muscles, a snake's milking a cow is very unlikely. This is an example of how people can comfortably believe whatever they wish to believe, regardless of lack of validation. This is not untypical of small, isolated communities. I was a fairly skeptical kind of child, but even I had a tendency not to question in the face of older folks who gave the impression of knowing what they were talking so confidently about.

I, as an Allred, do not remember being especially afraid of snakes. I was cautious. I killed all the Copperheads (*Agkistrodon contortrix*) and Water Moccasins (*Agkistrodon piscivorus*) that I could find because I knew they were poisonous. I somewhat regret this now. The skins of the Copperheads were quite beautiful on knife sheaths and other

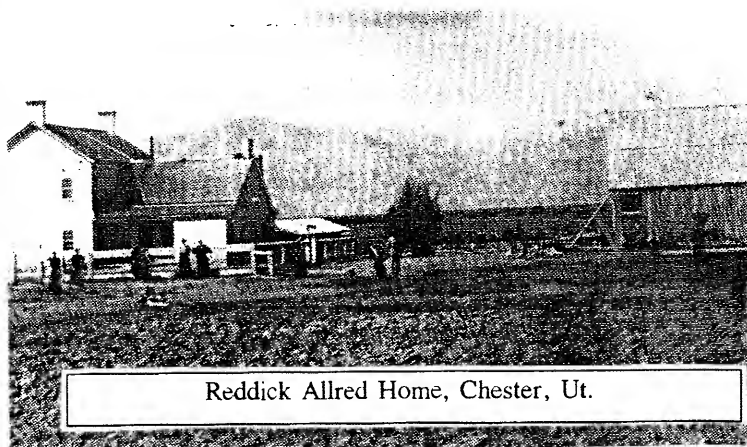
things. Water Moccasins were so ugly that I could find no use for their skins at all.

It is difficult for me to say that any of the male Allreds of my acquaintance had really deep seated fears and phobias about snakes. I remember my father, Grover Cleveland Allred, telling of relatives and acquaintances in Mississippi who kept Bull Snakes or Gopher Snakes (*Pituophis melanoleucus*) in their banes, and sometimes in their houses, to catch rats and mice. My father once found a large black snake under one of our setting hens; it had swallowed at least six of the eggs. He cut off its head, squeezed out the eggs, and placed them back under the hen. They hatched. He called this snake a chicken snake. My memory suggests to me that it may have been either an Indigo Snake (*Drymarchon corais*) or a big Back Rat Snake (*Elaphe obsoleta*).

We, as boys roaming the forests, got a lot of amusement out of Hog-nosed Snakes or Puff Adders (*Heterodon platyrhinos*). These are wonderfully comical non-poisonous snakes. They will rear up spreading their neck out like a cobra, and then puff and hiss very loudly. When this bluff does not do the job, they roll over on the back exposing a bright yellow underside and play dead. If one rolls them back onto the stomach, they will roll immediately back over onto the back, as if that were the way all good dead snakes should lie.

The idea of dead or injured snakes reminds me of the article in AFN #17 about the Devil's Darning Needle or Dragon Fly (*Libellula* sp.) We always admired these huge fast-darting creatures. We even tried unsuccessfully to catch one once in awhile. We called them Snake Doctors, and we half believed that they tended injured snakes. I really do not know why we believed this. We never saw one near a snake, injured or otherwise. I think that we as children just sort of took the words of adults who knew as little as we did about such things.

I am not violently critical of the folkloric beliefs of my ancestors. Most of their beliefs about snakes and insects were harmless, and they fit into the context of the time. Many of those rather quaint beliefs probably added color to an otherwise drab psychological and social life. I actually think that some of those old beliefs made one feel more a part of the natural scheme of things. That may be one of the reasons why I keep collecting such bits of folklore. There is one thing we can be sure of and that is that old beliefs can give us a slight feeling for the way our ancestors felt in a small part of their lives. This is not entirely true however, because I can describe and explain to my son some of my life in the middle 1930's and I know that he understands intellectually, but he cannot feel those times. Those things belong to a world that has ended.



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ALLRED PHOTO ARCHIVES

Bob Blakely
Photo Archives Chairman

The Allred Family Organization expresses our thanks and appreciation to all those family members who have contributed photographs to the archives. We have received many priceless pictures which have been copied and returned to their owners, and whose negatives are now on file. We also have many photos that have been submitted as plain paper photocopies.

The master list of the photographs is constantly growing and is still in the process of being updated and compiled. Family members who have ordered a list should receive it very soon. We ask you to please be patient. This has been a much bigger task than we had anticipated. For those who would like to purchase a master list, the cost is \$2.00.

We are still asking you to share your old photographs. We are particularly soliciting photos which are very old, have been identified, and are of interest to the entire Allred family. Pictures of old Allred farms, houses, homesteads, etc., are also of great value.

The process of making a negative from an old photograph is very simple and extremely safe. The photo is placed on the base of a copy stand and a copy camera is used to make the new negative of the old photo. Prints of various sizes and numbers can then be made from the new negative.

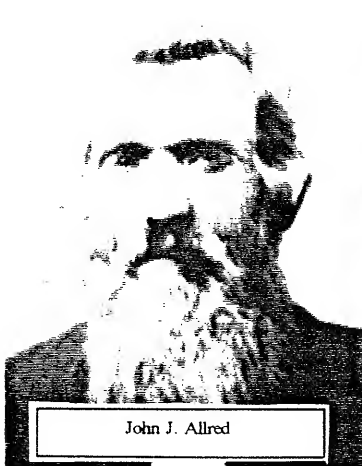
We have had no problems with the mailing of old photos. They should be placed between stiff cardboard and clearly marked, "PHOTOGRAPHS, DO NOT BEND." All pictures will be copied and promptly returned. Thank you for your support of this project. You may send your photographs and/or requests to: Bob Blakely, 430 Parkway Avenue, Tooele, Utah 84074

EPHRAIM L. ALLRED REUNION PHOTO

Many thanks to Renae White for the following identification of the photo from AFN #16.

(17) Clark Allred- Ephraim's son, (51) Clark's wife, (71) Clark's youngest daughter, (9) Clark's oldest daughter, (8) Clark's middle daughter, (2) Clara A. Robinson Allred, wife of R. W. Jr., ((3) Maude Robinson Accord, sister to Clara, (16) Iva Allred Aiken (24) Louie E. Allred Mortensen, (21) Zolema Allred Christensen, all three are children of R. W. Jr. & Clara, (14) Roy Christensen, husband to Zolema, (18) Don Mortensen, son to Louie E., (25) Warren David Mortensen, son to Louie E., (31) Elva Mortensen Allred, wife of Royal, (30) Royal Allred, son of R. W. Jr. & Clara A., (27) Neve Mortensen, husband to Louie E., (28) Lee Allred, son of R. W. Jr. & Clara A., (19) Verl Aiken, husband to Iva, (34) LaVon Allred, wife to Lee Allred, (60) Tom Allred, son of Ephraim.

Renae says she thinks this reunion was held about 1936/37.



John J. Allred



Mary Young Bridgeman Allred

A SHORT HISTORY OF JOHN JONES ALLRED

Submitted by Norma L. Goodwin
Yuba City, California

John Jones Allred, son of William Allred and Sarah Ann Warren, was born Sept. 1, 1821 at Bedford Co., Tenn. Little is known about his youth. On the 4th of Sept. 1845, he married Jane Hoops who passed away just six years later, Oct. 20, 1851, leaving him with two small daughters. A son and daughter preceded their mother in death.

It was at the family home in Smithville, Mo. on Sept. 23, 1852 that he married Mary Young Bridgeman, daughter of Robert Bridgeman and Polly Davis Bridgeman. To this union were born ten sons and seven daughters. Six of the children died in infancy.

With his family, he arrived in the Salt Lake Valley Aug. 16, 1861, having crossed the plains by ox team and covered wagon under the leadership of David. H. Cannon. After spending a short time in the valley, he was called to southern Utah. This move was made with some reluctance because the garden which they had planted was not quite ready for use when they had to leave.

Life in their new home was one of hardship and sacrifice. Afflicted with rheumatism, John Jones was not able to work. His wife and children were compelled to do the farm work in order to sustain themselves. Often times, their store of provender was very low.

During the years that John Jones lived in and around Shonesburg, (Washington Co., Utah), he was the only doctor in the region. He was not a medical doctor but very good at healing. Often he was away from home for a week at a time, caring for the sick. The family, who anticipated his homecoming with a bit of food or some other payment, was often disappointed. Many times he received no payment at all because the people whom he served had nothing to give. It would be difficult to say how much suffering was relieved, and how much comfort was given by this kindly old doctor, who set broken bones, pulled teeth, applied mustard plasters, and in numerous ways gave comfort to his patients.

He was an ardent admirer of the prophet Joseph Smith and loved to tell about watching him play baseball, or ride his fine horse about the streets of Nauvoo.

The Allreds moved to Hatch, Garfield Co., Utah where on March 16, 1898, John Jones Allred departed this life. Those who spoke at his funeral, told of his honesty, integrity and devotion to the Gospel.

Dear Editor,

I found information in a paper which the Family History Center sent me and I copied it all down. On my father's side is Roy Hendry Leavitt and my mother's side is Reva Richards Allred Leavitt. Maybe Don Allred knows more because he started the newsletter. How can I collect the information and pictures of the old newsletters of the Allred Family Organization Inc.? I love the past paper with my parents reunion pictures and I will buy them because I am writing a book called "Martha Marilyn Leavitt Family Life History" and I am collecting scrapbooks of old pictures of my family of relatives. Martha Marilyn Leavitt, 2105 Pine Street, Redding, CA 96001 (916-241-3566)

Dear Marilyn,

Back issues of all the newsletters will be available at the June 25 All Allred Reunion in Spring City. We will have all 19 issues spiral bound and they will be for sale at \$20. We will have a limited number available. We will also have single back issues of all the back issues for \$1 each and they can easily be added to your previously bound copies which were purchased at the last reunion. After the reunion we will try and make these available to all but the price of postage will have to be added.

ALLRED FAMILY OF PICKENS CO. GA.

Cont. from Issue #18

Submitted by Robert S. Davis Jr.

Lemuel J. Allred (b. 1814 Pendleton Dist., S.C. d. 1892 Pickens Co., Ga.) was a career politician, holding several elected and appointed positions. As a Georgia house member from Cherokee Co., he succeeded in getting passed, with the help of a prominent lobbyist, the bill that in December 1853 created Pickens Co. from the counties of Cherokee and Gilmer. He and his brother-in-law, Robert B. McCutchen would take credit for raising a Union flag in front of the Pickens Co. court house in protest to Georgia seceding from the Union in 1860. However, during the Civil War, Lemuel served as deputy sheriff of Pickens Co., as an officer in Georgia state Confederate forces, and as alcohol purchasing officer for the Confederate hospitals in Atlanta. His letters as the latter are today in William L. Clements Library of the University of Michigan.

However, when the Republicans ruled Georgia immediately after the war, Lemuel published a pamphlet claiming that he had always supported the Union. He also unsuccessfully filed a claim as a Southern Unionist whose property had been destroyed during the war by Federal forces. When the Democrats came to power, Lemuel served as their doorkeeper of the Georgia state senate for many years. His tombstone in the Jasper city cemetery reads; "He was for his county first, last and all the time...He never wavered in principles. He was all his life a true DEMOCRAT." He married Nancy Agnus McCutchen and their eight children have many descendants.

Elias Walter Allred (b. 1824 Hall Co., Ga. d. 1910 Pickens Co., Ga.) the second son of Elias Jr. and Mary, led a complicated career too, made all the more confusing by the many times he has been misidentified with other men. He married Pasty Arthur, by whom he had no children. Elias Walter Allred, "Black Elias," has been confused with his cousin Elias Earl (?) Allred (b. 1816 S. Ca.), "Red Elias," who married Harriet Hyde and had several children. (These two Eliases and the Elias of the War of 1812, all appear on pages one and two of the Federal census of Pickens Co.)

The Rev. Elias Walter Allred, Lemuel's brother, benefitted from the creation of Pickens Co. to serve as the first tax collector. He eventually acquired a great deal of land along with a reputation as a good business man and powerful Baptist minister. A letter involving some of his land speculations can be found in the manuscript collections of the Georgia Historical Society. When the Civil War began, he operated a hotel in Tate and served in the Georgia House of Representatives, having previously been a state senator.

In the summer of 1864, Federal General William T. Sherman sent troops to rescue the supporters of the Union in Pickens Co. from the Confederate home guards. Rev. Elias was one of a five-man delegation met the Union soldiers and helped them to organize a 125 local defense force to protect the Pickens Co. families from further depredations. However, Elias was the same time also serving in a Georgia State Confederate Cavalry unit and in the Georgia Confederate Legislature.

The Federal chief of spies in Georgia, James George Brown, began rumors in the fall of 1864 that he had been appointed governor of the new state of North Georgia, with Elias Allred as it's congressman. The story was false but Elias was arrested and his property was looted by the Confederates. Elias was released from jail in Milledgeville, Ga. through the influence of his brother Lemuel with Confederate Governor and former Pickens Co. Judge Joseph E. Brown. Lemuel had been Brown's executive secretary.

Among the properties that Elias owned was a marble quarry. He was swindled out of this quarry in 1897 in an elaborate scam. The Georgia State Supreme Court eventually returned the property to Elias but the family remembers that he remembered that he remained upset over what had been done to him to the day that he died. He sold the marble rights a few

years before his death but neglected to remove the marble rights from his will, starting stories that have persisted for generations that the descendants of his brothers and sisters will someday inherit the marble rights.

John Marion Allred (b. 1831 Hall Co., Ga. d. 1915 Pickens Co., Ga.), brother of Lemuel and Elias, would have a long career in Republican politics. He was a Justice Department Commissioner in Jasper in 1890 when a secret society of vigilante moonshiners, known as the "Honest Man's Friend & Protector," were burning down the homes of the men paid to testify against moonshining. John M. Allred helped bring the vigilantes to justice although he also testified to the otherwise good character of these men. However, his role in that effort has been incorrectly (?) attributed to his brother Elias. Although he was a Democrat before the Civil War, he supported the Union throughout the fighting and was a Republican member of the Georgia Legislature in 1871-1872. He also helped to bring the railroad to Pickens Co. and central North Georgia. John Marion Allred married sisters, Martha and Sarah M. Davis. Many of his descendants still live in Pickens Co.

NOTE FROM PAT: Pickens/Pickins has been spelled two different ways but I print articles just as they are received without changing spelling, dates or names.

CAPTAIN WILLIAM ALLRED

In issue #10 of the AFN dated January 1992, an article was printed on William Moore Allred, son of Isaac Allred and Mary Calvert (hereafter called "William Moore"). In the article William Moore was identified as the "Captain William Allred" mentioned in the History of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Volume 3, page 74-76 and also A Comprehensive History of the Church, Volume 1, page 454. In issue #16 of the AFN dated July 1993, an article was printed on William Allred (md. Sarah Warren), brother of Isaac and James Allred, uncle of William Moore Allred (hereafter called "William"). In this article, William was identified as the "Captain William Allred" mentioned in the above books. The history committee decided to look into this discrepancy and give a report on it to the AFN.

Very briefly, Captain William Allred was credited for leading a group of men who stopped a shipment of arms being taken to the mob in Diahman and captured the men involved. The incident occurred in September 1838. As we looked into this matter, we have come to the conclusion that William Allred (md. Sarah Warren), brother of Isaac and James, uncle to William Moore Allred, is the "Captain William Allred." William was 48 years of age at this time and a Captain in the Caldwell County, Missouri militia (HC 3:74). William Moore was only 19 years of age and would be rather young to hold the office of Captain in the Missouri militia. He was commissioned a Captain later in the Nauvoo Legion, but he was 22 years old and it occurred in 1841 (AFN #11, p. 4) In addition, William lived in Diahman and was very much concerned with the defense thereof. He was arrested and taken prisoner to Richmond, Missouri at the fall of Far West, Missouri because of his military activities (AFN #16, page 3; also HC 3:209).

Because of the above reasons, we believe the "Captain William Allred" is William and not William Moore. If anyone has any additional information that would help the committee, please let us know.

Linda Allred Steele, 680 South 2150 West, Vernal, Ut 84078

"To forget one's ancestor's, is to be
a brook without a source or a tree
without roots."
Chinese Proverb

1994 ALL ALLRED REUNION

Bob Olson

This year has really gone by fast, it's time for our Spring City Reunion again. We are expecting to have a great one this year and would sure love to see you stop by.

The reunion will be at City Hall in Spring City at 150 E. Center Street on Saturday June 25, 1994. City hall is in the restored Old Jr. High School. We will be starting things off around 10:00 in the morning. There is plenty of parking for RV's around the grass behind City Hall.

Spring City is a beautiful little town located in central Utah and when founded was originally called Allred Settlement. This section of Utah is rich in history and has many restored 19th century houses and buildings. You can really get a feel for what life was like back then.

The Spring City Lion's Club will have sandwiches and chips and soft drinks available for purchase. The prices are reasonable and the proceeds go for helping the Lions with their building restoration efforts.

Merrill VanDyke at VIP Enterprises will again have souvenirs such as tee shirts, caps, and coffee mugs with Allred crests etc. available. Merrill is also providing us a place to hold our bonfire.

We will have a bonfire both Friday and Saturday nights. If you've never been to one you are really missing out. We have some real talented cousins out there who have sung and played for us in the past and we really want to encourage any of you who are interested to come out and show us your stuff. We will have willow branches there so bring your hot dogs, marshmallows or whatever and join us for some fun.

We are planning on having a cemetery scramble for the kids again this year. The kids take little red flags and see how many Allred graves they can find and mark. It was a lot of fun last year.

We plan on having a volleyball net and softball gear for your enjoyment. And we should have back issues of newsletters available. So please bring the family and come out and visit with us on June 25, we're going to have a great time.

If you have any questions please contact myself or Larry C. Allred. I apologize to Larry for leaving his last name off in the last newsletter, he has every right to be proud of it. Sorry Larry.

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RESEARCH REPORT

by LouAnn Allred Blakely

NEWS FROM THE ROSTER

Submitted by Tessie J. Pyper

Research on the tap roots of the Allred family in Maryland, North Carolina and Pennsylvania is on-going. Although we have had recent changes in the Executive Committee and the Research Committee of the AFO, we are still actively involved in pursuing the origins of the Allred Family. We have recently engaged the services of the Universal Genealogy Center in Salt Lake City for a research project and as information becomes available periodically from this organization, we will pass that data on to our members.

You may recall that in 1992, a research report was published in the AFN stating that there was a marked similarity between the names of the children of Solomon Allred of North Carolina and the offspring of a John Allred and Ellen Pemberton who lived in Eccles parish, Lancashire, England, in the late 1600's.

The names held in common by these two families were John, Phineas, Solomon and Theophilis.

I am presently corresponding with three British research agents in the greater Manchester area, as well as the Lancashire Record Society. At my request they are looking into the possibility of accessing the original parish registers of Eccles. These records are very old and extremely fragile and can only be viewed under supervision and by special permission. The contents of these registers are on film at the Salt Lake Family History Center, but the quality is very poor and difficult to decipher at best.

If we are granted access to the registers of Eccles through any of our contacts for the years 1666 through 1755, then we will be able to learn more about the descendants of John Allred and Ellen Pemberton. In this way we can determine if they did indeed leave the Manchester area in a time period that would correspond with the arrival of our Allred family to the Eastern shores of the United States.

I think it is important that we undertake this line of research, along with our continued searches in the United States, and see where it may lead us. The possibilities seem well worth the effort. I hope to have more information to report concerning research in the Lancashire area in our great newsletter.

LAURA ANN (SLAVIN) MYERS ALLRED

I am descended from Laura Ann (Slavin) Myers Allred, born 9 Jan 1854 Tenn, died 3 Mar 1925, Maud, Pottawatomie Co. Ok.

I've gotten a lot of information on her mother's line - her mother was a MIDKIFF. Also some on her father's. Actually, I'm not an Allred, because Laura Ann SLAVIN was married to Lafayette MYERS by whom she had one child. He died in an accident when that child (my great grandmother) was a baby. Laura then married Willis W. Allred (m. 15 Feb 1872) and lived in Cook Co., Tx. before moving to Maud, Ok. where she lived at the corner of Harrison and Oxford right down the block from her grandson James Lafayette Dodson, who was my grandfather. My grandfather and my mother knew the Allreds well. Laura was called "Maam" Allred. My mother and I have visited the graves of a number of the Allred family buried at the Cummings Cemetery in Maud.

I have a copy of both of Laura Allred's marriage licenses, a picture of her mother, a copy of her obituary and other information that would be of interest to her Allred descendants. I'd very much like to share the information I have with the ALLRED descendants of my 2nd great grandmother and hopefully will through one of them locate a photograph of her. I have much information but as it will cost a bit to copy and mail, I'll wait to hear if you can put me in touch with any other descendants of Laura Ann Slavin Myers ALLRED. Sara Slife Reilly, 12310 Cobblestone, Houston, Tx. 77024, phone.. home-713/464-7054, office-713/366-3708.

Thanks to Doss Kornegay, Jr. from San Benito, Texas and information that Don Allred has been receiving, we recently were able to connect 545 people from the "unlinked file" to our Allred Roster. Someday, we won't have an "unlinked file." As of Feb. 28th., we now have 38,700 Allred descendants with spouses and in-laws, we have 64,000.

Doss's ancestor, Elias W. Allred (1789-1864) was a son of Elias Allred who was a brother to William Allred, (wife Elizabeth Thrasher); Moses Allred, (wife Elizabeth Hollingsworth); Thomas Allred, (wife Margaret Alldridge), etc. Elias W. Allred married Mary Harrison and their daughter Margaret Allred married William Peeples. This is Doss' line.

According to Doss, "Elias W. Allred was very active in the governments of Georgia and the Confederacy during the turbulent years of 1859 to 1864 when he resigned from the state government. He died in 1864 in Atlanta during the time that the city was the focus of a massive military campaign by the Union Army under Gen. Wm. T. Sherman. By the end of the year, the city had been reduced to ashes and her population to the status of refugees. The circumstances of his death and the disposition of his remains are not known." He was a State Senator, 1859-1860; Confederate Representative, 1861-63; State Representative for Ga., 1863-64. His daughter, Margaret Peeples, "gave considerable aid and comfort to the Confederacy and suffered great loss during the Civil War. During those years, she lost her husband, her father, four of her nine sons and one of her four daughters, as well as, her home and possessions. She was a witness to the murder of her son Drew by Yankee Marauders." "First Lt. Drewry Mortimer 'Drew' Peeples was wounded in a Cavalry engagement in Murray Co., July 4, 1864. He made his way to his mother's home where he was discovered by a Yankee Patrol. He was executed on orders from the commander. His mother witnessed his execution by her own choice. Her home was then burned. She prepared her son for burial with the help of a few servants and buried him in nearby Mt. Zion Churchyard." Another son, Cincinatus Peeples, was killed at Cemetery Ridge, Gettysburg, Pa. (1863) and one other, Newton Oscar Peeples, died in 1861 at an Army Camp in Ga. of Typhoid Fever. Her husband, William Peeples, served in the CSA, died and buried in Arkansas during the war; details not known. Other sons: Capt. John Henry Peeples, Murray Cavalry; Brigade Surgeon, Elias Philow Peeples, 4th Ga. Cavalry, Army of the West; and Lt. William Jasper "Jap" Peeples, Co. C, 11th Ga. Inf., Murray Rifles, Army of Northern Va.; Pvt. Cicero J. Peeples, wounded at Barbersville, Ky. and killed at Chattanooga, Tenn. 1863.; Lt. Morris Bascomb "Bak" Peeples, CSA and Sgt. Major Lemuel Franklin Peeples, CSA, wounded at Cold Harbor, Va., treated for gunshot wounds to the legs and face; hospitalized in June 1862 for Typhoid Fever. He fought in all major battles of the Army of No. Va. except Sharpsburg and First Mannasses which he missed when the train carrying his unit to the front, wrecked.

Notes and Queries



The History Committee is building a library of all histories done on any Allreds. If you have any you would like to give us, please send them to the address below. We are especially anxious to get some histories of those Allreds who did not come west and settle in Utah.

V. Con Osborne, 3330 N. 350 E., Provo, UT 84604

LAURA ANN SLAVIN ALLRED (b 1854)
Obituary From the Maud, Ok. Newspaper, 1925
Submitted by Tessie J. Pyper

Mrs. Laura Allred, age 71 years, 1 month and 24 days, one of the pioneer settlers of Pottawatomie Co., passed away at the family home in south Maud Tuesday, March 3, 1925, at 4:00 o'clock p.m. after a short illness. She was born in Tennessee Jan. 9, 1854. Married W. W. (Willis Winfield) Allred in Grayson Co., Texas Feb. 18, 1872. Moved to Oklahoma and settled in Pottawatomia Co., near Maud, and later to Maud where they lived and raised a noble family of eleven children, of which four sons and five daughters are living. Mrs. Allred was a member of the Christian Church for a number of years.

The deceased leaves to mourn her loss, her husband, W. W. Allred, four sons, C. L. (Charles Lewis) of Maud; Riley (Riley Leonard) Allred of Francis, Okla.; Sam (Samuel) Allred of Clayton, New Mexico; Lawrence (James Lawrence) Allred of Sweetwater, Texas; five daughters, Mrs. Walling and Mrs. H. H. Coulter (Willie Pearl) of Maud; Mrs. Martha Jones of Little, Okla.; Mrs. Vea (Nellie Venice) Simmons of Sweetwater, Texas and Mrs. Mandy Dodson, Cheyenne, Okla. All of the children were present at the funeral with the exception of Lawrence Allred of Sweetwater, Texas.

Funeral services and interment were held at Cummings Cemetery Thursday afternoon, Mar. 5, 1925 at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. J.C. Coffman, of Shawnee, officiating.

NOTE FROM TESSIE: The above obit. was sent to us by Sara Slife Reilly, 12310 Cobblestone, Houston, Tex. 77024. She would like to hear from any descendants of this family.

The obit. is for Laura Ann Slavin who married Willis Winfield Allred. Willis W. (1847-1931) was a son of William Hackley Allred and Elizabeth Ivie, (this William Hackley Allred was the son of James Allred and Elizabeth Warren) Sara says, "Actually, I'm not an Allred, because Laura Ann Slavin was married to Lafayette Myers by whom she had one child. He (Lafayette) was killed in an accident when that child (my great, grandmother) was a baby. Laura then married Willis W. Allred and lived in Cook Co., Texas before moving to Maud, Okla." "Willis was called 'Dad' by everyone in town, not just his family." "His son, Charles Lewis, was called pappy by everyone too." The Mandy Dodson mentioned in the obit. is Sara's great, grandmother.

NOTES & QUERIES

NANCY MELINDA ALLRED (BARNES)

Searching for parents/brothers/sisters of Nancy Melinda Allred Barnes. Born 16 Oct 1829 (Tenn?) Died 5 Aug 1901 Kirksville, Mo. Married to Henry Marion Barnes 29 Aug 1847 Adair Co., Mo.

Henry served in the civil war and was later a Baptist minister in Unionville, Mo. Nancy was supposedly full blooded Indian, possibly Cherokee. Her father was born in either N. Carolina or Georgia (depending which census you believe) and her mother born in either Tenn or Georgia.

I also have a picture in the original frame of Nancy. I'll be sending it in as soon as I can.

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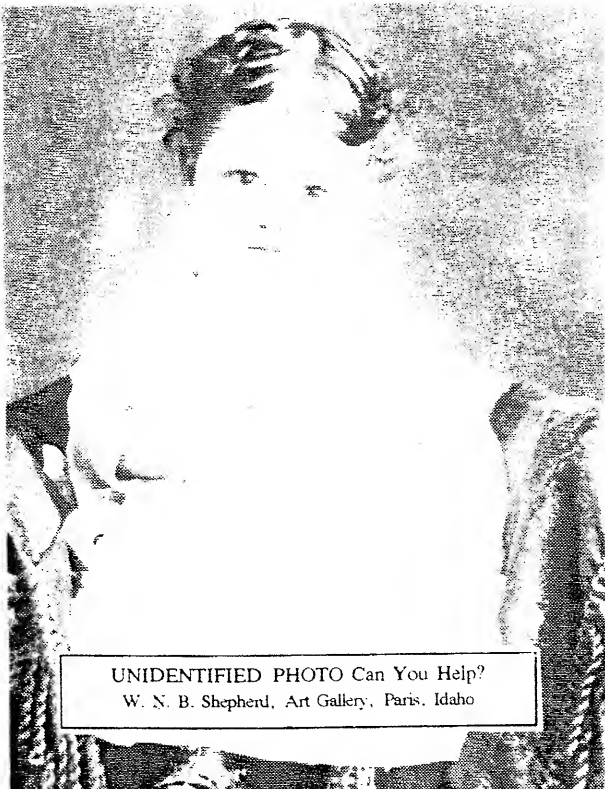
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